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1. On 12 September 1950 the Grossenhain (W 52/A 01.) airfield was occupied by 40 jet fighters and 20 conventional fighters. Yak-3s, according to Soviet soldiers. (1) on four jet fighters. Recently there has been very intensive flying. During night flights on 12 September 1950 a jet fighter flying in the searchlight beam caught fire and crashed. The site of the accident was strictly guarded.

2. No construction work was being done at the field. A new fire adjustment stand was in the southeastern corner of the field. (2) The aircraft were parked in the five hangars on the southwestern edge of the field. The jet planes were in three hangars and the conventional fighters in the other two. A fuel dump of 12 containers, most of which were dug in, was on the northern edge of the field. A radio station with four masts was northwest of the field. (3) Nearby foxholes had recently been dug. (4) One cable ran from the radio station to the watchtower in the northeastern corner of the field, and another cable to the main guardhouse and from there to the Hotel Sachsenhof in Grossenhain where Soviet officers were billeted.

3. There was intensive flying with jet planes at the field on the morning of 22 August 1950. on six planes.

4. Flying activity at the field was very intensive between 3 and 10 September 1950. A large-scale exercise was probably being held. Several tents were erected on the northeastern edge of the field. They were connected with the buildings at the field by telephone wires. (5)

5. No aircraft or flying was seen at the field on 13 September 1950.

6. Flying at the field was again intensive on 19 September 1950. Eighteen jet planes were counted on the landing field.

7. Two new radio stations, each with one radio truck and one individual antenna mast, were east of the field. (6) Parachute jumps have recently been repeatedly observed over the area south of the field. One parachutist jumped from each plane. (7)

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